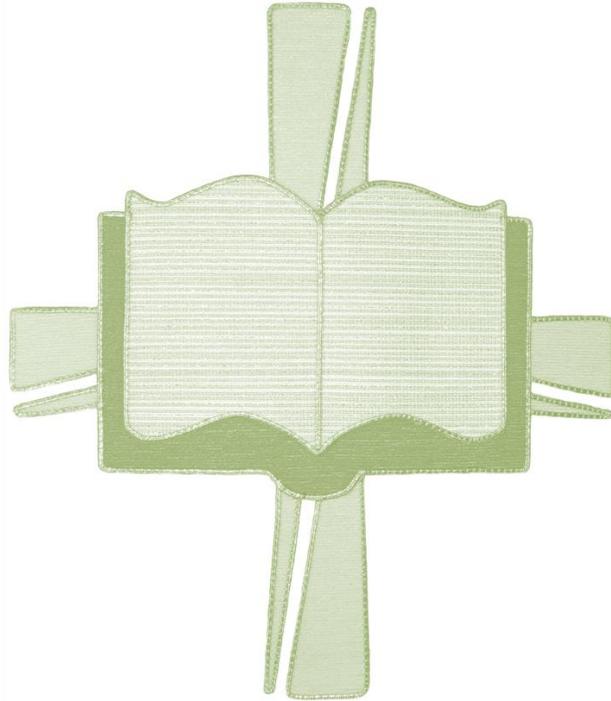


NewSt.JamesChurch
“Following Christ, Worshipping God, Serving Others”
The Presbyterian Church in Canada
Sunday, February 19, 2017 - 10:30 am



Serving You Today

Worship Leader: *Rev. Andrew Reid*

Director of Music: *Torin W. Chiles*

Reader: *Pat Taylor*

Welcome Team: *Bruce Curtis & Pat Ferries, Mary Jean Dodge, Jim Hoskin, George Rendell, Dee-Ann Vickers, Johanis Weydekamp*

Counters: *John & Carol Brink, Susan Pepper, John White*

Hall Shepherd: *Jim Hunter*

Nursery: *Winn Files, Janet Hines*

Church School: *Joanne MacPherson, Deb Noble-Van Hees, Monica Sass*

Hospitality: *Christian Education Committee*

Stewart Library: *Open every Sunday*

A Note for Visitors: Church School at New St. James starts at 10:30 am, when the children and teens meet downstairs. They join the congregation in the sanctuary for Our Church Family Together. For directions to the Lower Hall, please ask an usher.

***Please stand, if able**

We Gather to Worship God

Prelude *I Bind Unto Myself Today (St. Patrick's Breastplate)* J.H. Schaffner (©1998)

* **Entry of the Bible**

* **Processional Hymn** *How firm a foundation (St. Denio)* **685**

Call to Worship from verses in I Corinthians 3

L: God's Spirit dwells in us, for we are God's temple.

C: **We belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.**

ALL: **Praise the Lord!**

Introit *Friends Let Us Love Each Other (Auf, Auf Mein Herz)* J. Crüger (1598-1662)

Friends let us love each other, for love is a gift God gives. Friends by the love within us, this world will know God lives. Love is the gift most precious God gives unto us all. We find our life in loving, that's our creator's call. Love is what Christ commanded, love lived out day by day. Love bears another's burden; love walks a tender way. Friends let us love each other, Love is the gift God gives. Friends, by the love within us, this world will know God lives! [text: W. Farquharson (©1970) adpt.]

Prayers of Approach and Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear the Word of God

Duet *The Gift Of Love* H. Hopson (©1972)

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain as sounding brass, and hopeless gain. Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control. Our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed. By this we worship and are freed. Amen. [from I Corinthians 13]

Unison Prayer for Illumination

God of holiness, by the power of your Spirit, reveal to us your Word. Let us be a holy temple built on Christ, our only sure foundation. Amen.

Responsive Psalm 119:33-40

- ³³ Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,
and I will observe it to the end.
- ³⁴ **Give me understanding, that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.**
- ³⁵ Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for I delight in it.
- ³⁶ **Turn my heart to your decrees,
and not to selfish gain.**
- ³⁷ Turn my eyes from looking at vanities;
give me life in your ways.
- ³⁸ **Confirm to your servant your promise,
which is for those who fear you.**
- ³⁹ Turn away the disgrace that I dread,
for your ordinances are good.
- ⁴⁰ **See, I have longed for your precepts;
in your righteousness give me life.**

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Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:38-48

pg. 5 in N.T.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.****Anthem***Saviour, Teach Me, Day By Day*

B. Cabena (©1994)

Saviour, teach me, day by day, love's sweet lesson: to obey; sweeter lesson cannot be,
loving Him who first loved me. With a childlike heart of love at Thy bidding may I move,
prompt to serve and follow Thee, loving Him who first loved me. Teach me thus Thy
steps to trace, strong to follow in Thy grace, learning how to love from Thee, loving Him
who first loved me. Love in loving finds employ, in obedience all her joy; ever new that
joy will be, loving him who first loved me. Thus may I rejoice to show that I feel the love
I owe; singing, 'til Thy face I see, of His love who first loved me. [text: Jane Leeson (1807-
1881)]

Sermon**"...as your heavenly Father is perfect."**

Rev. Andrew Reid

We Respond in Faith and Service

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Hymn of the Faith*Be thou my vision (Slane)***461****Prayers of Concern**

	Offering and Offertory	<i>Pastorale</i>	L. Boëllmann (1862-1897)
*	Doxology		830
*	Prayers of Thanksgiving and Dedication		
	Announcements		
	Our Church Family Together		
	The Lord's Prayer		Inside cover of Book of Praise
*	Hymn of Discipleship	<i>Day by day</i>	455
*	Commission and Response	<i>Sing Amen</i>	264
*	Benediction		
	Postlude	<i>Finale On "Hyfrydol" (Love Divine)</i>	H. Coleman (1888-1965)

TODAY AT NEW ST. JAMES

We welcome you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

WELCOME

- We invite guests and visitors to use the blue welcome cards in the pew racks, and the Friendship Book in the narthex.
- Large print bulletins, Bibles and Books of Praise are available in the racks as you enter the sanctuary or from an usher.
- To honour our time in worship, we ask you to turn off phones while in the sanctuary.
- Audio CD's of today's service will be available in the Stewart Library.
- Bulletins and sermons are posted under the Worship tab on our website - www.newstjames.com
- Copies of bulletins and sermons are available in the information rack in the narthex.
- Visitor offering envelopes are available in the pew boxes in front of you. Tax receipts will be issued for donations over \$10.

PARKING

- On Sunday mornings, the Oxford Street parking lot is for handicapped parking and for drop offs only. Please do not park in the laneway into the parking lot - this is a fire access route. Parking is available on all surrounding streets and at our good neighbours:
- Harris Funeral Home on St. James Street
- Behind Susan J's
- Valu-Mart (outside row along the east fence & back laneway row)
- Behind the building across Wellington St. (do not park in spaces marked Dental Arts)

WASHROOMS

- Washrooms are located in the corridor behind the organ chamber, and on the lower and upper levels of the hall. Coat racks are in the narthex and in the corridor behind the organ chamber. Please do not leave valuables unattended.

NURSERY

- Child care for infants and toddlers is provided in the nursery, near the west door of the sanctuary. We invite parents with small children to sit in the front pews on that side.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

- We want to make New St. James a safe and welcoming place for all who come here. Our Church School staff have all received Police Records Checks and training in safety procedures.
- To protect people with nut allergies, our goal is to make New St. James a nut-free facility. Please do not bring nuts of any kind, or anything containing nut products such as peanut butter, into the building. However, we cannot guarantee that cookies served during the fellowship time may not have come in contact with nuts.
- Gluten-free cookies are available during the fellowship time.
- To protect people who are sensitive or allergic to scent, we want to make New St. James scent-free. Please keep this in mind when applying perfume and aftershaves.
- For reasons of personal safety, the front row of the balcony has been closed off.

THIS WEEK AT NEW ST. JAMES

Monday, February 20	Family Day - office closed 5:30 pm Northern Hospitality (St. Michael's RC) 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study 7:00 pm AA
Tuesday, February 21	10:00 am Activity Day@NSJ 10:30 am Lectionary Study 1:00 pm Creative Hands 2:30 pm Service at Extencicare 5:00 pm Junior Amabile Singers
Wednesday, February 22	9:30 am Indoor Playground
Thursday, February 23	1:30 pm Al-Anon 7:30 pm Al-Anon 7:30 pm NSJ Choir Rehearsal
Friday, February 24	6:30 pm Movie Night 7:30 pm AA
Saturday, February 25	3:00 pm CCNC
Sunday, February 26	10:30 am Worship Service 11:30 am Youth "Souper" Fundraiser Luncheon 3:30 pm CCNC

Attention Elders: Communion packages are ready for pick-up in the narthex.

The CREATIVE HANDS group meets Tuesday afternoons to make feminine hygiene kits to go to Malawi. If you can pin, rip, cut, iron, fold, sew or serge, please consider joining us between 1:00 and 3:00 pm in an upstairs classroom. **We are still in need of an ironing board and a serger.**

INDOOR PLAYGROUND is a FREE drop-in for parents and caregivers **EVERY Wednesday 9:30-11:30 am.**

COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT @ NSJ!

Friday, February 24 6:30-8:30 pm

Featuring "The Muppet Movie". There will be a free will offering and snacks are available for purchase. Everyone welcome!



YOUTH "SOUPER" FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON

Sunday, February 26 11:30 am

Following worship, please join us for a yummy lunch of soups and desserts. Free will offering. All proceeds going to NSJ youth to attend Camp Kintail and One Day Wonder. Would you like to donate a crockpot of soup or squares? (If you do....no charge for your lunch!!) Youth and their parents are helping out but we need extras. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet that is located on the bulletin board outside the office. Many thanks for your support!

THE NEW ST JAMES BOOK CLUB will meet on **Monday, February 27**, at 1:30 pm at the home of Pat Shaver. We will be discussing The Prison Book Club by Ann Walmsley. Everyone welcome. For information or directions, contact Pat at 519-434-7973.

NSJ Fundraising

Please mark these dates on your calendar (and invite all your friends!):

February 28 5:00–6:30pm **Pancake Supper** Freewill Offering

March 29 5:30–7:00pm **Spaghetti Dinner** \$10 per adult; \$5 per child 12 & under

If you would like to help at these events, or you would like to organize another fundraiser for NSJ, please contact Frank Walsh, Deb van Hees or Joanne McPherson.

ONE DAY WONDER

Saturday, March 4 10 am - 7 pm

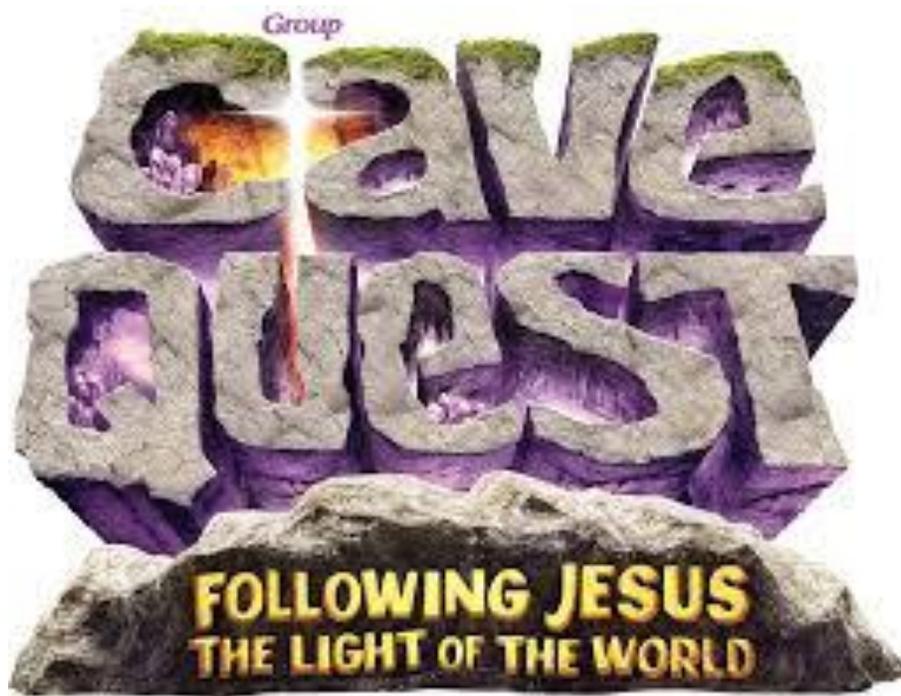
A Presbytery-wide event for students in Grades 5-8 at Knox PC, St. Thomas. Transportation from Westmount PC leaves at 9:15 am and returns at 8 pm. Please confirm attendance with Joanne **by February 15**. Cost: \$15 and a donation to the food bank.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada national office is excited to launch **PCCconnection** newspaper this spring, a fun and informative newspaper that will help connect Presbyterians from coast to coast. This FREE Christian publication will keep you inspired, demonstrating our faith in action. For home delivery, please subscribe by going to the national church website at presbyterian.ca.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

at

New St. James Presbyterian Church



March Break - March 13-17, 2017

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

(Early drop off available at 8:30 a.m.)

JK - Grade 6

Cost: \$5.00

**Registration forms available in the church office or
at www.newstjames.com**

NEW ST JAMES FINANCE TASK FORCE
Terms adopted by Session February 7, 2017

1. A Task Force shall be formed with the goal of developing a plan to ensure the future financial stability of New St James.
2. The Task Force shall include the Minister, the Clerk of Session, the chair of the Finance Committee, with representation from Session, the Board of Managers, the Women's Council, the congregational trustees, the Thomas Kent Trust committee, and the congregation at large.
3. The Task Force shall conduct a review of revenue and expenditure over the last five years, membership figures, congregational demographics, etc, in order to prepare a financial plan for New St James for the next five years.
4. The Task Force shall consider any and all possibilities and suggestions it deems appropriate to complete its task.
5. The Task Force shall also address the specific questions included in the presentation to the congregation's financial information gathering on December 4, 2016. These are:
 - Membership: As a congregation, can we re-commit to growth? New members could help us to meet our financial goals.
 - Sharing our facilities: Are we willing to share our facilities in exchange for sharing costs? Would we consider a second congregation worshipping in our sanctuary, for 4 hours on a Sunday and using our space during the week? Could a day-care use our facilities in exchange for contributions to overhead? We should investigate the opportunities, benefits and consequences.
 - Additional fundraising: Are there other opportunities to bring the wider community in to our space for special concerts, sales, meals or events to generate revenue? We can't continue to ask the same people – our members – for more money.
 - Trusts: What decisions can be made about the role of our Trusts in funding our future?
6. The Task Force shall report through Session to the congregation no later than the fall of September 30, 2017.

The rocking chair in the sanctuary is available for any person - big or small - who needs a cozy seat during worship. Just ask for assistance.



World Day of Social Justice (Feb. 20)

Presbyterian World Service & Development responds to situations where poverty and gender power imbalances prevent women who are victims of sexual violence from seeking treatment and the assistance to combat this widespread injustice. PWS&D works for social justice by promoting the rights of vulnerable groups and removing barriers that prevent individuals from meeting basic needs. After being raped at home, a young woman in Haiti received medical care, emotional support and counsel through PWS&D's program. Her words of gratitude are a testament to just how impactful the project is: "If today I can keep my head up and live my life, it is thanks to you. Please keep up with the good work you are doing."



FOOD CUPBOARD

Please consider donating soups, canned vegetables, tuna, cereals, diapers, women's sanitary supplies, toiletries, and 250, 500, 750 ml plastic containers to St. Paul's Daily Bread Program. Baskets are located at all entrances.

Stewardship:

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

I Chronicles 16:34

NEW ST. JAMES - WHAT WE BELIEVE:

*God is calling the people of New St James,
as followers of Jesus Christ,
to worship God and to serve the community.*

Minister	Rev. Andrew Reid - areid@newstjames.com
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Choristers	Ariel Harwood-Jones, soprano; Jocelyn Francescut, soprano; Laura Neilsen, soprano; Shannon Wijnker, mezzo-soprano; Conlan Gassi, tenor; David Stainton, baritone
Office Administrator	Janet Hisey - jhisey@newstjames.com 8:30 am - 3:30 pm - Monday to Friday
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